



INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**HEAVEY RAINS CAUSE EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO PIKE COUNTY ROADS -
MANY CLOSED**

FROM: Pike County Road Department

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Areas of Pike County received extensive rainfall this past Tuesday night and through most of Wednesday. Some residents report receiving as much as 5.25 inches of rain in a 16-hour period. While "flash-flood" warnings were issued throughout Spalding and Lamar counties, none were issued for Pike. Mr. Goolsby, Pike County Road Superintendent, reported crews worked long hours Tuesday night and into Wednesday and Thursday trying to make sure all hazardous conditions were addressed and roadway barriers installed where needed to eliminate any hazardous driving conditions for travelers.

At one point during the rains, portions of the following roads were closed, at least temporarily; Dunn Road at Pitts Road intersection, Campbell Road, Harrison Road, Hunter Road, Caldwell Road, Old Zebulon Road, Lifsey Springs Road at Howell at Route 109, and Glover Road at Harden and Terrace Roads.

As of 12:00 PM Thursday afternoon, the following roads remain closed; Cook Road will be closed until at least Friday. Sullivan Road is closed beyond the water tower. It will be closed for at least a week as we await replacement culverts, Dripping Rock Road will remain closed due to extensive flooding at the Eppinger Bridge on the Upson County line. Tanyard Road will be closed for at least a week due to a collapsed culvert there also and the West Jones Road will be closed until Monday of next week. Road crews are working diligently to make repairs to roads as quickly as possible.

The Road Department is urging residents not to try and pass beyond the barricades that are in place on these roads. The roads are blocked off for your safety and you are advised not to travel beyond or around the “road closed” signs. If you do so you are traveling at your own risk.

If you see other road conditions that need attention you are advised to call or report to either the Road Department at (770) 567-2005 or report the condition to “911” and they will forward the calls to the personnel on call. Please travel safely.

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